

## About Plays and Players

By BIDE DUDLEY

**HELEN KELLER**, appearing in vaudeville at the Palace, has arranged to become acquainted with jazz music through the aid of Sophie Tucker. Though she is deaf and blind, Miss Keller will "hear" the words of Miss Tucker's songs by placing the fingers of one hand over the singer's lips. She will "hear" the music by resting the other hand on the piano and getting the vibrations. Thus she will miss only the Tucker wiggle, and that, of course, is more of an embellishment than a fundamental principle of the jazz art.

**NELLIE REVELL IMPROVING.** Nellie Revell, who is in St. Vincent's Hospital suffering with spinal trouble, writes us she is improving. "However," adds Nellie, "I will be parked here for the greater part of some time to come."

Nellie is an expert in the use of automobile slang. She used to own a four-wheeled flier.

**HERE'S SOME NEWS.** From a Chicago despatch in a New York Sunday newspaper we glean the following astonishing news: "To-morrow, likewise, will mark the arrival of 'Sometime' at the Studio-baker. The play is sponsored by Edward H. Southern and Julia Marlowe. Among the members of the cast are Rida Johnson Young, Rudolf Friml, Frank Tinney, comedian; Carolina Waide, Jean White, Mildred La Gue, Harold Murray and De Haven and Niles."

This will come as a surprise to Mr. Southern, Miss Marlowe, Miss Young and Mr. Friml.

**HONORING M'CLOY.** Fred M'Cloy, press representative of the Columbia Burlesque interests, is a happy man. Three hundred of his friends gave him a testimonial dinner at the Ritz-Carlton Saturday night just because they liked him. General Pershing was among the honored guests. E. F. Albee furnished the vaudeville show and the Police Glee Club sang mighty well. The soloists were John L. Shanley, Andrew McLaughlin and William Drexler. Andrew embellished his song with a police shimmy. Mr. M'Cloy was given a chest of silver. It was all a fine tribute to a fine fellow.

**ROBERT GREIG HERE.** Robert Greig, the Australian theatrical man, has arrived in New York. He is an associate of Hugh J. McIntosh. Mr. Greig has arranged for the Australian presentation of "Chu Chin Chow." His wife, a prominent actress, is here with him.

**WILSON TOLD HIM TO.** During a chorus rehearsal of "Floradora" at the Shubert Theatre the other day a sailor in uniform appeared on the stage. "Avast there, my hearty!" sang out Lew Morton, the stage director. "What do you think this is—'Pinafore'?" "I was on the George Washington when President Wilson crossed the pond the first time," replied the sailor. "We gave a vaudeville show for him and I sang. Next day the President told me I ought to go on the stage. Just not my discharge from the navy and here I am. Do I go on?" "You do," replied Morton. And immediately First Class stowaway William Halsey Ryan became a member of the "Floradora" chorus.

## The Jarr Family

Mrs. Jarr Takes Her Ease in Her Inn After Being Rather Uneasy.

By Roy L. McCardell.

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"It's getting toward the end of the month, I'll be a little late at the office to-night"—Mr. Jarr began.

"Oh, why make that same old excuse?" said Mrs. Jarr, breaking in upon what her husband was saying. "Hold on, old lady!" replied Mr. Jarr, laying a restraining hand upon her shoulder. "I was going to add that if you will meet me some place downtown we'll go to some lively restaurant and have dinner together. John Barleycorn is dead, but jazz still flourishes!"

Mrs. Jarr was taken aback somewhat.

"I think you just said that last because I started to object—the worm began to turn at last!"

"Oh, yes, I know!" replied Mr. Jarr good-naturedly. "It's a long worm that has no turning. But, put on your joy regalia, kiddo!"

"What do you call me?" asked Mrs. Jarr. "Kiddo!" You shouldn't use slang like that. The children pick it up so quickly."

But, nevertheless, she was pleased at being called "Kiddo."

**Celebration by Proxy.** "It's the anniversary of the boss's marriage," continued Mr. Jarr. "Because lately we all have a lot of work to do, he's asked us to take out our wives to-night, take dinner, go to the theatre and send the bill to him."

"It is nice of him to have remembered his employees in such a graceful way," Mrs. Jarr remarked. "Do you think he'd raise your salary, too?"

"I hardly think he'd go as far as that," said Mr. Jarr. "So, as far as you put on your best bib and tucker, and I'll be through about 7 P. M. and we'll meet you, say, at the St. Cro-

**'T WAS EVER THUS.** Joseph Fusano of No. 91 Franklin Avenue, after assuring us he is a married man, slips us a nifty little poem as per follows:

A man and his wife were a happy pair  
Till on his coat she found a hair;  
The hair was blonde and hers was gray—  
Two nice black eyes he has to-day.

**HARD LUCK, CAPT!** If one is to believe the Morning Telegraph, and there is no reason to doubt its word, Capt. Belton of the West 47th Street Police Station is in a bit of a fix. In an interview with the Captain, taken from the Morning Telegraph, follows:

"That's real music," remarked Capt. Belton to the inquisitive taxpayer. "We've more musically inclined members of the department in this saloon house than any other. The other day I caught fifty-five policemen playing musical instruments a one time and he piano runs full blast from early morning until midnight."

**GOSSIP.** Frederick Howard will join the cast of "East is West" to-night. Four blondes, one red-head and a brunette will make up the "Floradora" sextette for the saunter revival. Rachel Crothers of "He and She" has four plays ready for production next fall.

Leo D'Amico, star of "The Purple Mask," is writing the book of a light opera.

Quintav Amberg has gone to Europe in quest of plays for the Mueen Shubert. He will be away six weeks.

Walter Hunt has accepted for immediate production a play by Lawrence Eyre entitled "Martingale."

Dick Rath of "The Passing Show of 1919" has won the checker championship of the Winter Garden.

Gerald F. Bacon will place "Princess Virtue," a new musical comedy, in rehearsal soon. Glenn Anders will have a role.

Helen Knight has been added to the cast of "My Golden Girl" at the Nora Bayes Theatre.

Because of her success in "The Night Boat," Louise Groody has been engaged by Charles Dillingham for another year.

Foodies Hanneford, the Hippodrome clown, will put a new Hanneford Family act in "Happy Days" soon.

Irene Franklin, of "Always You," has offered a silver cup in a Peabody one-act contest at Terrace Garden Dance Palace to-morrow evening.

During the year 1919 A. H. Woods paid \$1,923,344.52 in salaries to actors in his employ. This doesn't include those who received less than \$1,000.

**ANSWERS TO INQUIRIES.** G. W. F. H.—See Mr. Stacy, Belmont Theatre.

Helen of Troy—Photograph received. An excellent likeness!

**A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.** Why is it that a little, bald-headed man with a prominent nose usually affects big, black-rimmed glasses?

**FOOLISHMENT.** A girl from Ohio named Bunday Would never eat oysters on Sunday. Said she: "I believe In a one-day reprieve, But pooh! how I eat 'em on Monday."

**FROM THE CHESTNUT TREE.** "What will we do if women's skirts continue to get shorter?" "I propose modestly well compel us to build the sidewalk higher."

## KATINKA



## LITTLE MARY MIXUP



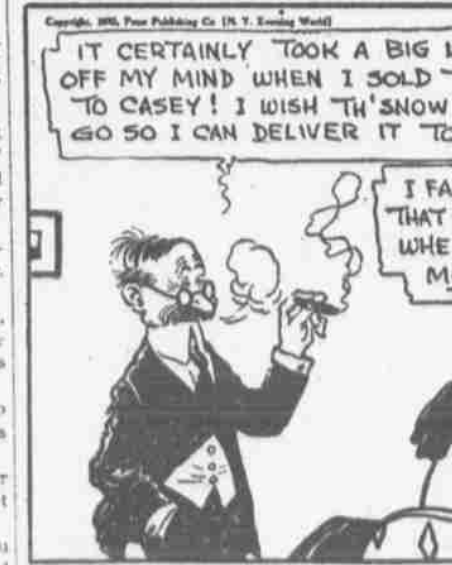
## THE BIG LITTLE FAMILY



## RUSTY AND BUB



## JOE'S CAR



## LEAVE IT TO LOU



A Guilty Conscience Is a Terrible Thing!

The Kid Thot It Should Be Applied Externally!

Yes, That Was a Dead Give Away!

And Thus the Help Question Was Solved!

An' Besides Thot, Joe—Then You'll Have It!

Each Has a Destination All Its Own!